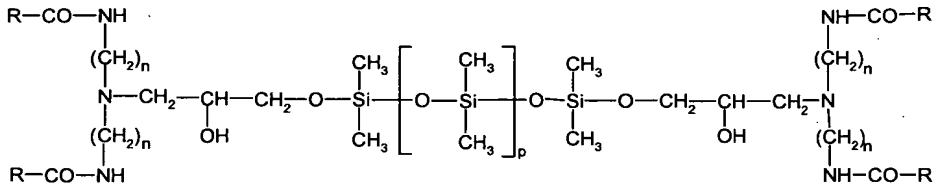
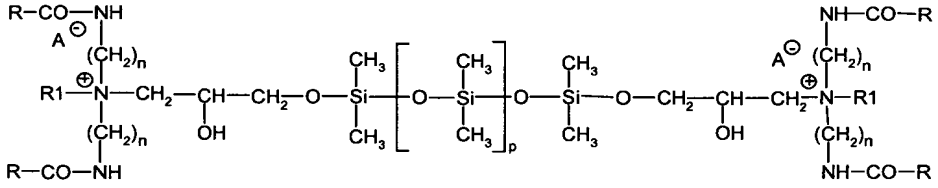
Amendments to the Claims

1.(currently amended) An amino-functional ~~Amino-functional~~ silicone wax ~~waxes~~ of the formulae (I) to (IV)



(I)



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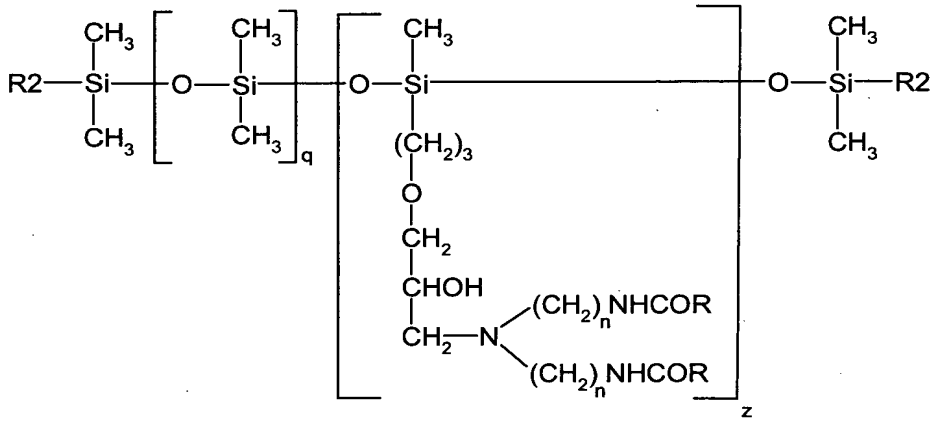

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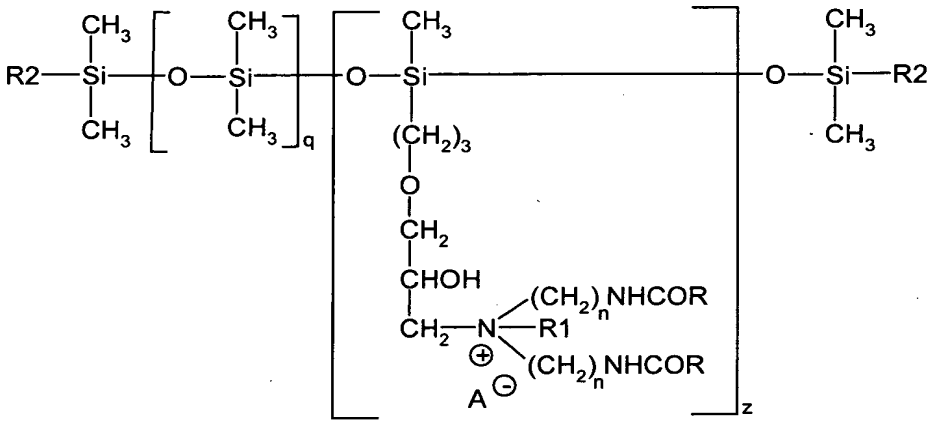


(IV)

where

R	is C_{11}-C_{22}-alkyl, linear or branched,
R1	is C_1-C_7-alkyl or benzyl,
R2	is -OH, $-CH_3$, $-OCH_3$, $-OC_2H_5$,
A^-	is $CH_3OSO_3^-$, chloride, bromide, iodide or tosylsulfate,
n	is 2 or 3,
p	is 10-200,
q+z	is 10-400, and
q/z	is 5-50.

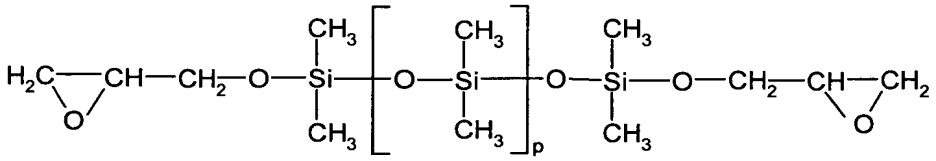
2. (currently amended) An amino-functional ~~Amino-functional~~ silicone wax ~~waxes~~ according to Claim 1 wherein

R, R2 and n	are each as defined above,
R1	is methyl or benzyl,
A^-	is $CH_3OSO_3^-$ or chloride,
p	is 20-50,
q+z	is 15-200, and
q/z	is 10-30.

3. (currently amended) A process ~~Process~~ for ~~preparating~~ preparing an amino-functional silicone wax ~~waxes~~ of ~~the~~ formula ~~formulae~~ (I) ~~or (III)~~ according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ comprising the steps of:

~~fatty acid diamides are prepared by condensation of~~ condensing at least one fatty acid ~~acids~~ with diethylenetriamine or dipropylenediamine to form a reaction product,

and ~~then reacted~~ reacting the reaction product with at least one silicone oil ~~oils~~ of the general formula (V)



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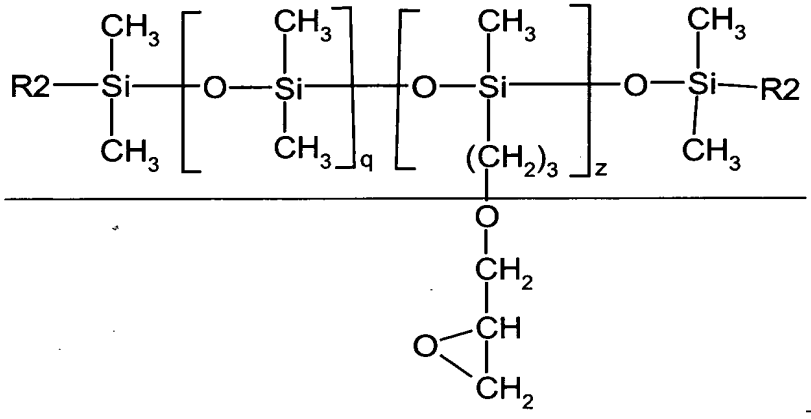
~~where p has the same meaning as in formula (I) or (II),~~ to prepare the wax ~~waxes~~ of ~~the~~ formula (I)

~~or with silicone oils of the formula (VI)~~



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~~where R2, (q+z) and q/z have the same meaning as in formula (III) or (IV), to prepare the waxes of the formula (III).~~

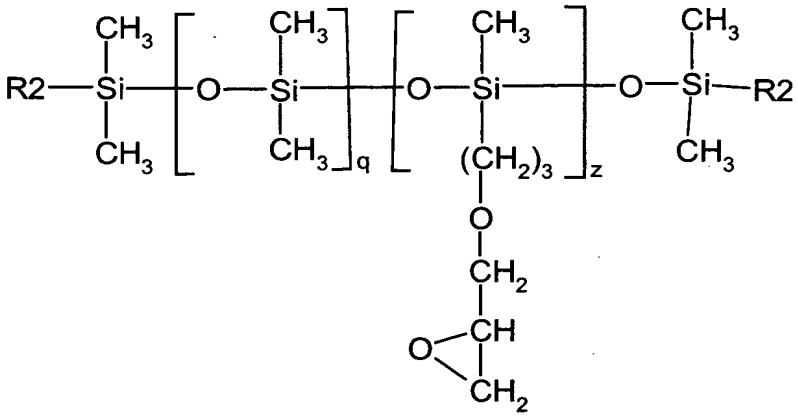
4.(currently amended) A process ~~Process~~ according to Claim 3, wherein the ~~characterized in that the resultant~~ silicone wax ~~waxes~~ of ~~the~~ formula (I) ~~or (III) are~~ is quaternized to form the compound ~~compounds~~ of formula ~~the formulae~~ (II) ~~or (IV)~~.

5. (currently amended) A process ~~Process~~ according to Claim 3 ~~or~~ 4, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the fatty acid ~~acids are~~ is selected from the group consisting of: stearic acid, behenic acid ~~or~~ and lauric acid.

6. (currently amended) ~~Use of the silicone waxes according to Claims 1 or 2 as softeners in the textile industry~~ A process for softening a textile substrate comprising the step of applying at least one of the silicone waxes according to Claim 1 to a textile substrate.

7. (currently amended) ~~Use according to Claim 7, characterized in that the silicone waxes are used in the form of~~ An aqueous ~~dispersions~~ dispersion comprising at least one of the silicone waxes according to Claim 1.

8. (new) A process for preparing an amino-functional silicone wax of formula (III) according to Claim 1, comprising the steps of:
condensing at least one fatty acid with diethylenetriamine or dipropylenediamine to form a reaction product,
and reacting the reaction product with at least one silicone oil of the general formula (VI)



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to prepare the wax of formula (III).

9. (new) A process according to Claim 8, wherein the silicone wax of formula (III) is quaternized to form the compound of formula (IV).

10. (new) A process according to Claim 8, wherein the fatty acid is selected from the group consisting of: stearic acid, behenic acid and lauric acid.

11. (new) A softened textile substrate made in accordance with the process of Claim 6.